

FROM MILFORD, IND.

One more confession, and a baptism at our last service. The revival spirit seems to be manifested in every service. The church will take all my time for this coming year. This means some home mission work accomplished, as the church is willing to assist by giving way.

Sept. 21, '96. G. W. RENCH.

FROM FLORA, IND.

I baptized three at Flora last Sunday. The Christian Endeavor there organized and adopted the K. C. constitution. God is blessing the Flora church, I suppose as a reward for faithfulness through past trials. Fraternally,

R. R. TEETER.

Rossville, Ind.

FROM LA PAZ, IND.

Since our last report five have been added to the church. Only four of them have yet been baptized, the fifth one not being able. I think I. N. Miller will preach for us another year. We are glad for we all like Brother Miller because he preaches plain Gospel truths, the only kind of preaching that we care to hear.

Our Sunday-school is still running on in good order, and I hope that it will not be canned up for Winter, but will continue to be an evergreen school. We are preparing for a Sunday-school rally at the present time. Our K. C. Society seems to be renewing life and gaining strength since the weather is more agreeable. Mrs. Amanda Walter is our president and a very good one too. I wish to say to all those that have made inquiries concerning the Union Meeting, that the Union Meeting will be held in the Brethren Church, at South Bend, Ind., Sept. 24, 1896. The same program will be used that was given in No. 35, of the EVANGELIST for Aug. 27. The date having been changed. Everybody try to be present. Especially those on the program.

The secretary of each church will please remember to make a brief report of the work done since our last Union Meeting, May 28. If you can not take it send it to the secretary. In union there is strength, and strength is what we need. God give us more strength and help us all to unite in one great power, that we may be able to conquer the evening.

EMMA HOUSER, Sec.

FROM PERRY.

At the regular morning service last Sunday, at Union Salem, three persons came out for membership. I baptized them on Monday forenoon.

W. C. PERRY.

Sept. 15.

FROM CORNELL, ILL.

On Sept. 8, 1896, the church here held its annual business meeting, and inasmuch as I was chosen correspondent for our church paper, I will try and write occasionally so as to let you know how we are getting along in the good work. Sister Alice J. Holmes was chosen clerk, brethren Chas. Klingman and J. E. Mast were called as trustees to act with brother J. Baringer. Sister A. Johnson was elected treasurer and sister Hattie Grant, agent for EVANGELIST. We are pleased to state our pastor will preach for us another year. Thus the good work goes on. There is no stopping place in the Lord's work, the longer we work in his vineyard the more we find to do. Life is too short and uncertain, there are too many precious souls around us starving to learn what is right, for Christians to trifle away time in other ways, than in sowing a seed that will bring a rich reward. Prayer-meetings on Tuesday evenings are very well attended. We have no great work to report just now. Brethren, pray for Cornell. We need your prayers. By united prayer we can accomplish great things.

Yours for Salvation,

MRS. RACHEL WEIR.

GLEANINGS FROM THE WAYSIDE.

This time our gleanings are short. Conference is over and a good meeting it was for those who attended. Wife and daughter were hindered on account of sickness of our son's family. All are better now. Our harvest meeting at College Corner was a success, largely attended, a splendid day. The afternoon was taken up by the young people. The program occupied two hours. Songs, declamations and essays and was very interesting. All told it was a success. The committee spared no time in their diligent work. In the evening two souls confessed Christ at the public service. The work moves on.

Yours for the Eternal World,

WM. W. SUMMERS.

Matrimonial.

JOHNSON—RONK.—At the residence of the bride's parents, Turlock, Cal., Sept. 3, brother Ingevel Johnson and sister Daisy Ronk. Relatives and friends to the number of 49 gathered at the residence of our esteemed brother and sister D. N. Ronk to witness the marriage. After congratulations, all sat down and did justice to a sumptuous dinner, which the Ronk sisters knew so well how to prepare. Brother and Sister Johnson start on their new life with the best wishes of all, as they are known to be worthy members of the Brethren church.

J. P. WOLFE.

Our Dead.

DUBBEL.—Joseph Dubbel was born Jan. 5, 1829 and died at the home of his son Edward in Lanark, Ill., Aug. 19, 1896. His age was 67 years, 7 months and 14 days. Brother Dubbel was a devoted Christian for many years, and was one of the pioneers in the Brethren movement in northern Illinois. The funeral was conducted by the writer, assisted by elder David Rowland of the German Baptist church, in the Progressive church in Lanark, and the remains interred in the Cherry Grove cemetery.

Z. T. LIVENGOD.

LEEDY.—Infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clement Leedy departed this life Aug. 19, 1896, age 27 days. May God's blessing be on this bereaved family. Services were conducted by the writer in the Ankenytown church.

S. B. GRISSO.

GOOD MANNERS OF THE ELEPHANT.

While visiting the Zoological Garden some time ago, I took my children to see the elephant and to give them a ride. After the ride I wanted to give the elephant a bun, and, to make him say "please," said "Salaam kuro"—that is, make a salaam. The animal looked at me hard for some time with a bun in my hand. At last memory came to his help, and up went his trunk, and he made a most correct "salaam." The keeper seemed much surprised, and asked me what it meant. I told him it was a point of good manners for an elephant to raise his trunk to his forehead if any one was going to feed him, and that frequently elephants will ask in this polite manner for something when they see anyone pass by who is likely to feed them.

The keeper assured me that he had never seen the elephant do this before, and, if I remember rightly, he had been in charge of the animal since it arrived from India; and it was one of those which took part in the grand procession of Agra, when his royal highness the Prince of Wales visited India, where I doubtless saw it. For seventeen years this animal had never heard these words, and had always taken his food without this mark of good manners; but now I dare say the keeper makes him remember his youthful good manners, and the children will see on their visits to the "Zoo" this instance of "Always say, Please."—*London Times*.

"Kind hearts are more than coronets,
And simple faith than Norman blood."